

REMARKS

It is noted, with appreciation, that the Examiner has indicated that claims 7-11 are allowed.

Claims 12-15 have been rejected by the Examiner under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kawaguchi in view of 2001-286585. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

In rejecting claims 12-15, the Examiner argues that allowed claims 7 and 10 definitely require the step of using the claimed equations to determine if certain conditions are met whereas claims 12-15 are much more broad methods in requiring only determining/providing a shaft and a head so that the conditions are satisfied. The Examiner concludes that with respect to claims 12-15, one could perform the method of making/designing a club without using the equations to determine if the conditions are met. In an effort to attempt to clarify the issue raised by the Examiner, claims 12, 13, 14 and 15 have been amended to include the language whereby the torque T and the gravity point distance L is determined to establish whether or not the conditions of equations (1) and (2) are met. Hopefully these proposed changes to the claims will be effective in removing the Examiner's objections as noted in the Office Action letter.

Accordingly, reconsideration of the rejection and allowance of all of the claims of the present application are respectfully requested.

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